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1. There was an airfield about 3.8 miles west of KALININ ($35^{\circ} 55' E/ 56^{\circ} 52' N$), north of the road to STARITSA ($34^{\circ} 57' E/ 56^{\circ} 31' N$). There was a patch of woodland with a water tower in it on the eastern edge of the field.
2. The following flying was observed:
 - a. Twin-engine bombers flying in formations of from 9 to 30 aircraft. Description: Slim fuselage, somewhat shorter than the German He-111, single rudder assembly, wings in slight dihedral, tricycle landing gear and tail wheel retractable. Two fork-like rods, about 12 inches long, projected from the glazed nose. The speed of the craft was estimated at about 250 mph.
 - b. Take-offs and landings of biplanes.

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Comment:

Report does not furnish any clarifying information on the KALININ airfield and its occupation. The bombers observed in formation at the airfield, from their estimated speed, are assumed to have been IL-4 aircraft, if the statement on the single rudder assembly is not based on mistaken observation. The fact that jet aircraft were not observed is not considered a refutation of former reports on this field.

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